



THE STATE ASSOCIATION FOR QUEENSLAND CARAVAN CLUBS
ABN: 78 718 013 843

THE BULLETIN



NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of
Caravan Clubs of Qld Inc will be held on:

Tuesday, 2 May 2023

Following a Delegates' Meeting commencing at 7.30 pm

At the Salisbury Senior Citizen's Centre,

87a Cripps Street, Salisbury

All positions on the Management Committee will be declared vacant and Delegates
(or other financial club members) are invited to nominate using the attached
Nomination Forms which can be emailed to:

ccqsecretary@gmail.com

or posted to CCQ Secretary, 1 Colvillea Close, Carseldine 4034

to be received **by Tuesday, 18 April 2023**

Barbara Rutherford

Secretary

Caravan Clubs of Qld Inc

16 February 2023

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hi members, I do hope that you all enjoyed a merry Christmas and are enjoying a happy new year, although the year is not so new now, and to those who have not been well all the best for a speedy recovery.

The national rally is only six weeks away now so to those who are already, or will be heading south soon, have a safe and enjoyable trip and rally. If you are a last minute person I am sure that you could still attend.

There is a new form available to record your spending going to, while at the rally, and travelling home. This form has been updated and is a lot simpler than the one used at Albany.

While talking national rallies, NSW national rally is only two odd years away and they will be holding their presentation at Barmara. Their rally will be near Mudgee from the 29/9/2025 to 8/10/2025.

Please be aware of the fruit and vegetable restriction when travelling to SA.

To those who may be travelling through Sydney, and using their tollways, that those trips could be expensive.

If your car and van exceed 12.5 mtrs or are above 2.8 mtrs you will be billed at commercial rates like semi-trailers. If you are measuring your van height do not forget the roof mounted air-conditioner.

While talking rallies, do not forget our "State Rally" in October 2023.

We are holding a meeting next month in Millmerran with the locals, so there will be more info coming soon about the rally and the registration form. There has been good support for this rally so far, with assistance and entertainment, so please pencil this get-together in your diaries.

In May, we will be holding the Delegate meeting along with our AGM, so give thought to nominating for a position on the committee. I know that Barbara has plenty of nomination forms!

The NACC have not met since my December report but will be holding our directors' meeting at Barmara, so more after that. Keep an eye on the RVSafe site at:

www.rvsafe.com.au

as more info is being added all the time.

Keep well and travel safe

Adrian



SECRETARY'S REPORT

With Christmas and New Year Celebrations well behind us now, many members are planning their trips South for the National Rally in Barmera, South Australia – indeed, some are already on their way. Safe travels to everyone and hope to catch up with many of you along the way or at the Rally itself.

Elsewhere in this “Bulletin” you will find Notice of the AGM on 2 May 2023 as well as Nomination Forms. All positions on the Committee will become vacant so please consider putting your name forward to help out. The CCQ now has a Zoom licence so being on the Committee no longer means you need to live in the Brisbane metropolitan area.

Meanwhile, planning has begun in earnest for the State Caravan Rally to be held in the Millmerran Showgrounds from 10-16 October 2023. The CCQ is grateful to those clubs who have put up their hands to assist with organisation and activities at the Rally. So far, the following offers have been made by Clubs.

Pancake breakfast
Trivia Night
Sausage Sizzle
Evening entertainment with Terry Arnold
Art class
Bonsai class
Disc Bowls
Back to the Country Dance Night
Tea and Coffee Station

As well as many members who have kindly volunteered individually to help out where and when needed.

Other exciting activities are also in the pipeline and, once confirmation is received, the CCQ will let you know about them.

If you or your Club would like to contribute in some way by way of an activity or whatever, please let the CCQ know.

We would love to consider your suggestions. It promises to be a great State Rally so mark your diaries now and remember:

***MILLMERRAN IS THE PLACE TO BE
IN OCTOBER 23***

*Barbara Rutherford
Secretary
Caravan Clubs of Qld Inc*

CCQ Executive

President: Adrian Skinner

Secretary: Barbara Rutherford

Treasurer: Les Calvert

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50 Years of Social Carefree Caravanning

The Sunshine Caravan Club of Queensland Inc was formed in 1973 at a meeting held at a private residence in Mt Gravatt. The Club conducted its first Rally on the 14th and 15th April 1973.

Members stay with the Club for many years. For example, Fritz and Maureen Van Bruggen joined the Club in 1974 and remain active members to this day.

Many of the founding members have passed on, however they left a legacy of a great, friendly and family caravan club.

The Club is “Incorporated” under the “Associations Incorporate Act” (QLD) 1981 and is affiliated with the Caravan Clubs of Queensland Inc. The Club operates under a Constitution and By-Laws which limits the number of caravans in the Club to forty (40).

Like most other bodies we have evolved over time and the term “Caravan” should probably now be referred to as a “Recreational Vehicle”.

The Club’s Motto has always been “Social Carefree Caravanning” and has been formed on members and not on residential location. We have members located as far afield as Bundaberg, Gympie, Toowoomba, Burleigh Waters, Kingaroy, Ipswich, Warwick and the Greater Brisbane Area. We are currently at full strength and potential new members will go on a waiting list.

Our 50th Birthday celebration will be held at Lowood Showgrounds in April , with a Morning Tea followed by a Luncheon to which Ordinary Members, Life Members and Associate Members have been invited.



POEM FOR CARAVANNERS

Towing Caravans for Rec-reation... Not Wreck-creation!

*It's a good life for the 'vanners, who live out on the road,
Seeing our great country, without a fixed abode,
But there's danger ever lurking, on our highways when you drive,
So be careful when you travel, so you get back home alive.*

*Towing sure can be a problem, if something isn't right,
It may be out of mind, but it's never out of sight,
So check that all's OK, both the tow-rig and the 'van,
And enjoy the pleasures of your trips, as safely as you can.*

*Is the 'van in sound condition, are mechanicals still good,
Are you never over-loaded, does it tow the way it should,
Is the Ball-Load as it should be, not too high and not too low,
To give the safest handling, on whatever roads you go?*

*Are the tyres still road-worthy, and still have lots of grip,
Have you had the brakes adjusted, so they'll never lock or slip,
Are the pressures set correctly, as the makers recommend,
To give the needed traction, on a hill or on a bend?*

*Are all the lights still shining, and the coupling's done up tight,
Are the safety-chains and shackles, still connected safe and right,
Are your heavy goods stored safely, in the middle of the 'van,
Are the wheels and bearings still turning well, as smoothly as they can?*

*Do you understand the meaning, of each Rating and each force,
Of the tow-rig and the caravan, and their legalise of course?,
There's the ATM and Ball-load, the Tare and GTM,
There's the GCM and Tow-bar specs, you need to know 'bout them.*

Supplied courtesy of Caravan Council of Australia

<https://www.caravancouncil.com.au/>



18TH NATIONAL CARAVAN CLUBS RALLY - 2023

Riverland Events Centre, Barmera SA

27th March 2023 to 4th April 2023

Arrive 27th March 2023, Depart 5th April 2023



National Association of Caravan Clubs Ltd

Going to the National Rally at Barmera?

Don't forget to record your LEOD figures for your trip.

LEOD - Individual Club Member - Multiple Location "roving" Rally Expenses is downloadable from the NACC website at:

<https://www.nacc.asn.au/>

Go to the Online Databases dropdown and select LEOD, then Forms.

Select:

LEOD - Individual Club Member - Multiple Location "roving" Rally Expenses

Use this form to record individual club member's expenses at a roving rally held over multiple locations. Up to 10 overnight locations can be recorded on one sheet.

Download the form and open with Adobe Acrobat Reader. The form can be filled in using a computer or tablet and then saved before being printed and submitted to the club LEOD Coordinator in the acceptable format.

Alternatively, the form can be printed and filled in using pen.

Data will be collated and entered into the LEOD from this sheet by the club LEOD Coordinator.



19TH NATIONAL CARAVAN CLUBS RALLY - 2025

Australian Rural Education Centre

267 Ulan Road Bombira NSW (Mudgee) 2850

Monday 29th September to Wednesday 8th October 2025

NSW Association of Caravan Clubs

<https://www.19thnationalcaravanrally.org.au/>



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AN EXPLANATION OF THE LEVELS OF REPRESENTATION FOR CARAVAN CLUB MEMBERS



The State Association for Queensland Caravan Clubs

The Caravan Clubs of Queensland Inc (CCQ) is a non-profit organisation providing a united voice for affiliated caravan clubs in Queensland.

The CCQ on behalf of affiliated clubs and club members throughout Queensland is able to make representation to all levels of Governments and businesses for the benefit of the caravanning fraternity.

The CCQ provides a common bonding link between all affiliated caravan clubs in Queensland and throughout Australia. The CCQ also facilitates the annual State Rally and the National Rally when held in Queensland.

The CCQ is managed by a volunteer executive committee elected at the Annual General Meeting by Club Delegates. The executive committee meets as required to manage business and to make recommendations at Delegates Meetings. Two club members from each of the affiliated clubs represent their club at the Delegates Meetings. Northern clubs unable to attend may be represented at these meeting by proxy members.

Benefits of Affiliation for Caravan Clubs:

- access to Public Liability Insurance at a greatly discounted rate
- access to venues where a Certificate of Currency for Public Liability Insurance is required
- access to venues that are limited to caravan clubs only
- access to a channel of communication between Local, State and Federal authorities. This may be in matters relating to safe travelling, caravanning, camping and other topics that may be of interest or concern to the caravanning members.
- the opportunity to network with Caravan clubs throughout all states of Australia

Benefits of Affiliation for Caravan Club Members:

- access to discounts offered by businesses to affiliated caravan club members
- entitlement to attend the State Caravan Clubs Rallies as organised
- entitlement to attend the National Caravan Clubs Rally held every three years in a different State
- discounted site fees at caravan parks and showgrounds
- the opportunity to become an active participant in the organisation and management of the affiliated club as visitors, the opportunity to attend rallies held by other clubs

<https://www.caravanclubsqld.org.au/>



National Association of Caravan Clubs

Supporting Caravanners
around Australia

HISTORY

In 1970/71 the very first National Rally was held at Mildura and was organised by the Caravan Club of South Australia. Six clubs were in attendance at this rally.

Further National Rallies were organised by the different state associations and it was not until 1990 at the 7th National Rally that a decision was made to form an Australian Association of Caravan Clubs.

In 1993 at the 8th National Rally the National Association of Caravan Clubs was formed and became incorporated. Each State Association took turns at being the National Secretariat for a three year period and was responsible for organising the National Rally at the end of their three year tenure.

Since incorporated Associations are typically State based, it became increasingly clear that a national body needed to be under Federal jurisdiction and after much work, it was agreed to change the National Association to a Company Limited by Guarantee under the Corporations Act.



<http://canberracaravanclub.org/>



<https://www.caravanclubsnsw.asn.au/>



<https://www.caravanclubsqld.org.au/>



<https://www.accsa.asn.au/>



<https://www.accvic.org.au/>



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WESTERN AUSTRALIA

<https://www.accwa.asn.au/>

RVCAL - Serving Australia's RV Community

Originally established in 2007, RV Clubs of Australia Limited, formerly known as MoTOURing Australia, aims to ensure the best legal and political representation can be achieved on behalf of its members.

Members

Representing an ever widening demographic, RVCAL is best positioned to represent the interests and opinions of Australia's RV tourists to all levels of authority and industry organisations, to ensure the freedom of choice to stop overnight wherever we want, at a reasonable cost.

Our Mission

- Promote the **interests** of the RV Movement in Australia.
- Provide a **united voice** on a range of matters that directly affect RV owners.
- Liaise with and educate government, industry and communities about the **benefits of the RV industry**.
- Work for **freedom of choice** as to where RV owners can stop over or stay somewhere that is a fully equipped site with modern amenities or a minimal low cost parking area, and to work with government, industry and communities to pursue this.

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www.cmca.net.au

National Association
of Caravan Clubs



www.nacc.asn.au

Australian Touring RV
Club Inc



www.atrvc.org.au

Australian Caravan
Club



www.australiancaravaclub.com.au

<https://rvcal.net.au>

AUSTRALIAN COMPETITION & CONSUMER COMMISSION

Lithium-ion batteries

- Lithium-ion batteries have caused fires and explosions leading to property damage, serious injuries and even death in Australia and across the globe.
- Consumers should be aware of the risks associated with lithium-ion batteries.

There are steps you can take to reduce the likelihood of harm from incidents involving lithium-ion batteries.

Read more about lithium-ion batteries go to the ACCC website at:

[Lithium-ion batteries | Product Safety Australia](#)

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COMMITTEE POSITIONS (THREE ONLY)**

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NOMINEE: (Print Name) _____

NOMINATOR: (Print Name) _____

(Signature) _____

SECONDER: (Print Name) _____

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